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As authorized by the inventor(s), transmitted herewith for filing is a patent application applied for on behalf of the inventor(s) according to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.41(c), which claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) of Provisional Application No. 60/171,582 filed on December 23, 1999

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Enclosed are:

図 A specification consisting of Twenty-four (24) pages

冈 Five (5) sheet(s) of formal drawings

П Certified copy of Priority Document(s)

Executed Declaration in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.64 will 冈 follow

Applicant claims small entity status in accordance with 37 図 C.F.R. § 1.27

Preliminary Amendment

- Information Sheet
  □ Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 and reference(s)
  □ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:
  - --This application claims priority on provisional Application No. 60/171,582 filed on December 23, 1999, the entire contents of which are hereby incorporated by reference.--

☐ Other:

The filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

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MULTIPLE DEPENDENT  CLAIMS PRESENTED			+ \$270.00	+ \$135.00
M.		TOTAL	\$0.00	\$355.00

- The application transmitted herewith is filed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.41(c). The undersigned has been authorized by the inventor(s) to file the present application. The original duly executed declaration together with the surcharge will be forwarded in due course.
- A check in the amount of \$355.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.
- Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2448 in the amount of \$0.00. A triplicate copy of this transmittal form is enclosed.

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If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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The above information is submitted to advise the U.S.P.T.O. of all relevant facts in connection with the present application.

A timely executed Declaration in accordance with 37 C.F.R. \$ 1.64 will follow.

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